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SUBJECT:KING HASSAN REQUEST FOR US ASSISTANCE WITH SATELLITE PROSPECTING FOR MINERALS

REFS: (A) RABAT 2195, (B) RABAT 2006

1. USGS PROPOSES TO SEND JOHN A REINEMUND, CHIEF, OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL GEOLOGY AND MAURICE J. GROLIER, USGS GEOLOGIST WITH BROAD BACKGROUND IN APPLICATIONS OF REMOTE SENSING TO RESOURCE STUDIES IN AREAS SIMILAR TO MOROCCO TO DISCUSS US ASSISTANCE IN REMOTE SENSING INTERPRETATIONS IN RESPONSE TO REF (A) AND TO REVIEW DRAFT OF PROPOSED MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN USGS AND DIRECTION OF MINES GEOLOGY AND ENERGY. DURING VISIT CAN ALSO HOLD SEMINAR FOR GOM OFFICIALS ON MULTI-PURPOSE USAGE OF SATELLITE IMAGERY CONFIDENTIAL

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IN THE ASSESSMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES IN THE ARID AND SEMI-ARID ENVIRONMENT. CAN BRING DEMONSTRATION PANELS FOR PUBLIC DISPLAY PLUS COLOR SLIDES FOR USE DURING SEMINAR. REINEMUND AND GROLIER WILL BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS USGS CAPABILITIES TO MEET GOM IMMEDIATE AND LONG-TERM NEEDS AS

STATED IN REF (A). PRESENT TRAVEL PLANS TO NEARBY AREAS

WILL ENABLE THEM TO ARRIVE IN CASABLANCA TUESDAY, MAY 17, VIA SR FLIGHT 222.

- 2. DRAFT MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (REF B) HAS BEEN REDRAFTED AND CLEARED WITH APPROPRIATE STATE OFFICIALS PURSUANT TO CIRCULAR 175 PROCEDURES. MUST STILL BE CLEARED BY INTERIOR DEPARTMENT SECRETARIAT BUT ANTICIPATE NO DIFFICULTY IN OBTAINING THIS CLEARANCE IN TIME FOR REINEMUND TO HAND CARRY TO RABAT. MOU WILL BE SIGNED BY USGS.
- 3. ADVISE BY MAY 9 IF THE PROPOSED TIMING OF VISIT ACCEPTABLE.
- 4. ATTENTION IS ALSO CALLED TO AIDTO CIR A-623 OF DECEMBER 3, 1976 (AND AIDTO CIRCULAR 66) WHICH DESCRIBES AIDSAT FOLLOW-ON PROGRAM BEING DEVELOPED BY AID/W AND SERVICES AVAILABLE. CHRISTOPHER

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